In the Claims:

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The listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the

application.

1. (Currently amended)

A method comprising:

injuring a vessel region; and

delivering an arteriogenic factor to a vessel region said vessel region in a

medically effective manner to structurally enlarge an existing blood vessel.

2. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein said delivery comprises providing

said arteriogenic factor to said vessel region for a duration ranging from about one week

to about five weeks.

3. (Original) The method of claim 1 further comprising providing a second

delivery of said arteriogenic factor to said vessel region at about 3 to about 10 days after

said delivering.

4. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein said delivery comprises:

providing a syringe to accommodate said arteriogenic factor; and

advancing said arteriogenic chemical factor from said syringe to said vessel

region.

5. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein said delivery comprises:

providing a needle catheter to accommodate said arteriogenic factor; and

advancing said arteriogenic factor from said needle catheter to said vessel

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region.

Appln. No.: 09/749,144 Filing Date: 12/27/2000 6. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein said delivery comprises:

providing a porous balloon catheter having a porous balloon to accommodate

said arteriogenic factor; and

advancing said arteriogenic factor from said porous balloon to said vessel region

via pores of said porous balloon.

7. (Canceled).

8. (Original) The method of claim 7 wherein said arteriogenic physical factor is

a needle catheter, said delivery comprising advancing a needle of said needle catheter

to said vessel region, said needle to puncture said vessel region.

9. (Canceled).

10. (Original) The method of claim 7 wherein said arteriogenic thermal factor

includes a catheter with a distal portion cooled to between about 0° C and about 10° C.

11. (Original) The method of claim 7 wherein said arteriogenic thermal factor

includes a catheter with a distal portion heated to a range from about 40° C to about

90°C.

12. – 23. (Canceled)

24. (Currently amended) A method of structurally enlarging an existing blood

vessel, said method comprising:

injuring said existing blood vessel; and

advancing a distal portion of a catheter to said existing blood vessel; and

Appln. No.: 09/749,144 Filing Date: 12/27/2000 delivering an arteriogenic factor in a medically effective manner to said existing blood vessel via said catheter.

25. – 26. (Canceled)

27. (Currently amended) An apparatus comprising:

an elongated catheter body; and

a distal portion of said elongated catheter body <u>having a puncturing element</u>, said distal portion configured to <u>induce injury and</u> deliver an arteriogenic factor to a vessel region in a medically effective manner to structurally enlarge an existing blood vessel.

- 28. (Original) The apparatus of claim 27 further comprising a catheter balloon at said distal portion.
- 29. (Original) The apparatus of claim 28 wherein said catheter balloon is equipped with pores for delivery of said arteriogenic factor.
- 30. (Currently amended) The apparatus of claim 27 further comprising wherein said puncturing element comprises a needle at said distal portion.
- 31. (Original) The catheter of claim 30 wherein said needle is configured to puncture a vessel surface of said existing blood vessel when said distal portion is adjacent thereto.
- 32. (Original) The catheter of claim 30 wherein said needle is configured to release said arteriogenic factor from said distal portion to said vessel region.

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